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Service Date: March 19, 1996

FINAL ORDER NO. 6395

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601
Helena, Montana 59620-2601

IN THE MATTER OF **David and Paula Creech**)
dba Quarter Circle PK Taxi Service,)
Cut Bank, Montana, application for a Montana) Docket No.
T-96.6.PCN)
Intrastate Certificate of Public Convenience) Order
No. 6395)
and Necessity.)

The Commission, being fully advised in the premises, makes the following findings, conclusions and order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On January 18, 1996, **David and Paula Creech dba Quarter Circle PK Taxi Service**, 213 1st Ave. S.W., Cut Bank, MT 59427, filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission under Title 69, MCA, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing transportation of the following:

Class B - Passengers 1) between all points and places within Glacier County; and 2) from points in Glacier County to the Great Falls International Airport.

2. In accordance with Section 69-23-321, MCA, this matter was noticed to the public February 6, 1996. That notice said in pertinent part:

If no written protests are received by February 26, 1996, a hearing may not be held and a final order may be issued in this Docket. If a protest is received, a hearing will be scheduled. Individual notice of the hearing will be given only to Protestants and Applicant.

The application included affidavits of support.

3. A protest was filed by Rocky Mountain Transportation, Inc., Whitefish, Montana. The protest was withdrawn after applicant

restrictively amended his application. The restriction is incorporated into the Order granting authority herein.

4. The record of this application is available for inspection at the Public Service Commission Office, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Montana Public Service Commission properly exercises jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter in this proceeding.

2. The Commission afforded all parties interested in this proceeding proper notice and an opportunity to participate.

3. Public Convenience and Necessity require a grant of the authority sought by the Applicant.

ORDER

NOW THEREFORE, at a session of the Public Service Commission, Department of Public Service Regulation of the State of Montana, held in its offices at 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, on the 4th day of March, 1996, there being present a quorum of Commissioners, there came regularly before the Commission for final action the matters and things in Docket No. T-96.6.PCN, and the Commission being fully advised in the premises;

IT IS ORDERED by the Commission that the application of **David and Paula Creech dba Quarter Circle PK Taxi Service**, Cut Bank, Montana, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity IS GRANTED to the following extent:

Class B - Passengers 1) between all points and places within Glacier County; and 2) from points in Glacier County to the Great Falls International Airport.

Limitations: Transportation of Burlington Northern crews is prohibited. Utilization of vehicles with a rated seating capacity of more than six passengers is prohibited.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a full, true and correct copy of this order be sent forthwith by first class mail to the applicant and all parties herein.

THE FOREGOING ORDER was adopted by the Department of Public Service Regulation of the State of Montana, Public Service Commission, IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this 4th day of March, 1996, by a vote of 5 - 0.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.